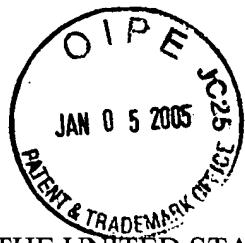


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In re Application of:)
Mitsuji MARUMO) : Examiner: S. Rao
Application No.: 09/450,680) : Group Art Unit: 2814
Filed: November 30, 1999) :
For: MINI-ENVIRONMENT POD DEVICE,)
AN EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND A) :
DEVICE MANUFACTURING METHOD)
USING THE SAME : January 5, 2005

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 5, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows: